

# SECTION ONE PLAN ADOPTION

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This section describes the plan adoption process utilized in the Update of the US Virgin Islands Territorial Hazard Mitigation Plan.

## 1.1 IFR REQUIREMENTS FOR PLAN ADOPTION

DMA 2000 compliant Standard State Hazard Mitigation Plans must be formally adopted by the appropriate elected official(s). In the US Virgin Islands, the Governor has the authority to act on behalf of the Territory in this regard.

The IFR contains two specific requirements relative to the adoption of the Plan by the US Virgin Islands:

- **Requirement §201.4(c)(6):** “The plan must be formally adopted by the State prior to submittal to [FEMA] for final review and approval.”
- **Requirement §201.4(c)(7):** “The plan must include assurances that the State will comply with all applicable Federal statutes and regulations in effect with respect to the periods for which it receives grant funding, in compliance with 44 CFR 13.11(c). The State will amend its plan whenever necessary to reflect changes in State or Federal laws and statutes as required in 44 CFR 13.11(d).”

## 1.2 PLAN ADOPTION BY THE GOVERNOR OF UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS

Adoption of the Virgin Islands Territorial Hazard Mitigation Plan by the Governor of the US Virgin Islands affirms the commitment of the Territory to pursue the activities and actions identified in the Plan.

Following this page is a formal letter of adoption on behalf of the US Virgin Islands, signed by Governor deJongh on April ??, 2011, which incorporates and satisfies both IFR requirements (§201.4(c)(6) and §201.4(c)(7)).

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